



# U.S. Coast Guard Atlantic Area



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## Average Annual Statistics

- Respond to over 20,200 search and rescue cases
- Save over 3,900 lives
- Save over \$84 million worth of property
- Maintain more than 34,000 federal aids to navigation
- Respond to over 4,200 oil or chemical spills
- Interdict over 7,000 illegal migrants
- Stop the flow of over 49 metric tons of illegal drugs
- Board over 4,729 fishing vessels
- Inspect over 35,977 U.S. flagged vessels
- Complete over 100 international engagements to evaluate the port security of maritime partners
- Examine over 16,000 foreign flagged vessels
- Respond to over 7,900 marine casualties
- Inspect over 5,600 facilities

## Facts & Numbers

- Atlantic Area includes over 14 million square miles of land encompassing 42 states, and over 4 million square miles of navigable water - everything east of the Rocky Mountains to the Arabian Gulf, from Canada to the Caribbean Sea.
  - Atlantic Area's five districts receive maintenance and logistics support from the Maintenance and Logistics Command Atlantic (MLCLANT), located in Norfolk, Va.
  - Coordinate with five geographical combatant commanders: NORTHCOM, SOUTHCOM, CENTCOM, EUCOM, AFRICOM and two non-functional geographical Combatant Commanders TRANSCOM and JFCOM.
  - Nearly 26,000 active duty and reserve forces are located in Atlantic Area.
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| Active Duty..... | over 21,000 |
| Reservists.....  | over 4,900  |
| Auxiliary.....   | over 22,976 |
| Civilian.....    | over 2,100  |

## Roles & Missions

- Search and Rescue
- Marine Safety
- Aids to Navigation
- Ice Operations
- Illegal Drug Interdiction
- Migrant Interdiction
- Law Enforcement - Other
- Ports / Waterways / Coastal Security
- Defense Readiness
- Marine Environmental Protection
- Living Marine Resources

### *Ninth Coast Guard District Cleveland, Ohio*

This land-locked district borders the five Great Lakes.  
[www.uscg.mil/d9/](http://www.uscg.mil/d9/)

### *Fifth Coast Guard District Portsmouth, Virginia*

Spanning the mid-Atlantic region on the East Coast, from New Jersey to North Carolina.  
[www.uscg.mil/d5/](http://www.uscg.mil/d5/)

### *Eighth Coast Guard District New Orleans, Louisiana*

The largest of the districts, the Eighth District encompasses the Gulf of Mexico and the entire midwestern region of the U.S., 26 states total.  
[www.uscg.mil/d8/](http://www.uscg.mil/d8/)

### *First Coast Guard District Boston, Massachusetts*

Covering the northeast region of the United States, from the northern tip of New Jersey to Maine.  
[www.uscg.mil/d1/](http://www.uscg.mil/d1/)

### *Seventh Coast Guard District Miami, Florida*

Encompassing the southeast region, from South Carolina through the Caribbean.  
[www.uscg.mil/d7/](http://www.uscg.mil/d7/)



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# Atlantic Area Units

## *On Land...*

### **Maritime Intelligence Fusion Center Atlantic (MIFC LANT)**

- Located in Virginia Beach, Va., MIFC LANT serves as Atlantic Area's tactical maritime intelligence nexus, leveraging all available information sources and methods to provide time-critical, actionable intelligence to LANT operational commanders across the full range of Coast Guard missions.

### **Redeployment Assistance and Inspection Detachment (RAID)**

- RAID is based out of Portsmouth, Va. The team deploys to combat zones in Iraq and Afghanistan, embedding with various DoD units in order to support the safe redeployment of military containers, personnel gear and rolling stock. RAID's efforts help the military logistics system run more efficiently.

### **Communication Area Master Station Atlantic (CAMSLANT)**

- CAMSLANT, located in Chesapeake, Va., along with Communications Stations Boston, Miami and New Orleans provide rapid, reliable, and secure communications support and services to Atlantic Area's operational commanders, mobile units, other government agencies, and the maritime community.

### **Activities Europe (ACTEUR)**

- ACTEUR, Rotterdam, The Netherlands area of responsibility encompasses Europe, the Middle East and Africa. ACTEUR's staff includes 24 members who travel widely to conduct their Coast Guard missions in Commercial Vessel Compliance (Safety, Security and Environmental Protection), the International Port Security Program, Environmental Stewardship, and International Outreach and Engagement.

## *In the Air...*

### **International Ice Patrol (IIP)**

- Based in Groton, Conn., the International Ice Patrol was formed in 1913 after the RMS Titanic disaster.
- The IIP is responsible for monitoring iceberg danger near the Grand Banks of Newfoundland and providing the location of ice flows to the maritime community.

### **Helicopter Interdiction Tactical Squadron (HITRON)**

- Located in Jacksonville, Fla., HITRON is the Coast Guard's only forward-deployed armed air crew and helicopter unit. The Squadron's mission is counter narcotics and Homeland Security.

## *At Sea...*

### **378-foot High Endurance Cutter (WHEC)**

- CGC DALLAS and CGC GALLATIN, both located in Charleston, S.C., are Atlantic Area's high endurance cutters.
- Capable of supporting helicopter deployment, 378's were introduced to the Coast Guard inventory in the 1960s and are highly versatile in performing a variety of missions throughout the world's oceans.

### **270-foot Medium Endurance Cutter (WMEC)**

- All 13 of the Coast Guard's Famous Cutter Class are located in Atlantic Area, in the ports of Kittery, Maine, Boston, Portsmouth, Va., and Key West, Fla.
- Capable of supporting helicopter deployment, 270's were introduced to the Coast Guard inventory between 1983-91 and are highly versatile in performing a variety of missions throughout the world's oceans.

### **210-foot Medium Endurance Cutter (WMEC)**

- There are 14 total in the Reliance Cutter Class, 11 of which reside in ports throughout Atlantic Area, from Portsmouth, N.H., to Galveston, Texas.
- Capable of supporting helicopter deployment, 210's were introduced to the Coast Guard inventory between 1964-69 and are highly versatile in performing a variety of missions throughout the world's oceans.

### **CGC EAGLE - 295-foot three-masted sailing Barque**

- Homeported at the Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn., CGC EAGLE is the only active (operational) commissioned sailing vessel in the U.S. maritime services.

### **Patrol Forces Southwest Asia**

- Six 110-foot Island Class cutters and 245 personnel comprise this force based in Manama, Bahrain. Operating as part of Navy Central Command, they provide force protection for U.S. vessels and Iraqi oil platforms vital to the rebuilding of that country.

### **179-foot Cyclone-Class Patrol Coastal (WPC)**

- CGC TEMPEST, CGC SHAMAL and CGC TORNADO, on loan to the Coast Guard from the Navy, are homeported in Pascagoula, Miss. They conduct homeland security, drug and alien migrant interdiction, and search and rescue operations.